A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR TO EVERY ONE

# BARIUM MESSENGER

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## MODERATELY ANCIENT HISTORY

SINCE December the 29th was Home-Coming Day thought it might be interesting to publish the above picture. Now this picture is not as old as it might be supposed. You will notice that all of the girls but one in the picture has bobbed hair, so that proves that it is of reasonably recent date.

As a matter of fact, it is the picture of Barium Springs High School taken in the Spring of 1924, less than four years ago, and yet, of all that big group of young people, only one is at present a resident of Barium Springs. They have all gone out either to take further education or to go to work or to get married— or both.

Just a few statistics about this group. Out of the whole, there is but one college graduate. This girl took four years in three at N. C. C. W., and has the distinction of being the only one of the entire group that now has a college diploma. There are ten others in college. One Senior, two Juniors, and seven Freshmen. There are three or four taking training in various hospitals. There are thirteen stenographers; four graduate nurses; one teaching school; two in the Navy; one dead and eleven married.

How is that for swift action? Four years ago they were all students at Barium Springs.

Quite often people ask us what becomes of the children after they leave Barium Springs. This is a pretty good answer. If you live in a town of any size at all just get out on the Court Square and yell, and no doubt some old Barium boy or girl will hear you. They are all pretty good citizens, too.

## The Best Yet

| PRESBYTERY | December RECEIPTS | Amt. Per Member | Amt. ahead or behind per member | Standing | last Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Winston-Salem | $3,355.65 | $1.04c. | ahead | $1.20¾ ahead | 57½ |
| Mecklenburg | $8,133.02 | .54c. | ahead | 12½c behind | 23 |
| Concord | $5,382.62 | .52¾c. | ahead | 4¾c. behind | 12¾ |
| Kings Mountain | $1,794.13 | .37½c. | ahead | ½c behind | 26 |
| Granville | $1,136.95 | .23½c. | behind | 4¼c behind | 41 |
| Albemarle | $1,573.89 | .43¾c. | behind | 9½c behind | 43½ |
| Orange | $5,071.12 | .51c. | behind | 17¼c behind | 30 |
| Wilmington | $2,438.02 | .31¼c. | behind | 33¼c behind | 48½ |
| Fayetteville | $4,261.10 | .37c. | behind | 34c behind | 52¼ |
| SYNOD, | $33,146.54 | 46.7c. | behind | 8-10c. behind | 29.4 |

†EXPLANATION: The revenue from the Churches needed for the orphanage for the year amounts to $107.000 —an average of $1.50 per church member, or 12½ cents per month. This table shows each month the contributions by Presbyteries and how far behind or ahead they are on this schedule. The last column shows for comparison the standing a year ago. This does not mean that only $1.50 is expected from any member, but is used in reporting on large groups like a Presbytery.

WE have to write so many gloomy things in connection with our receipt table that when we have occasion like this to brag, we are liable to overdo it. The above table is just the best it has ever been. You will note that there are four Presbyteries in the Plus Column, and every single Presbytery is way ahead of its standing at this time last year. In fact, the whole Synod is within a fraction of a cent of being up to date. That means just this: That at this time,—the end of the ninth month—the Synod should have contributed at the rate of $1.12½ per member. They have actually contributed at the rate of $1.11 7-10 per member which is pretty nearly par.

This means that with December's receipts we have received enough money to run the Orphanage for these nine months. It means that all of the debts that have been incurred on this year's running can be paid. It means that anything over and above the .12½ per member per month that we receive from now on til the end of the church year can be applied on our old debt, and it seems to promise that we shall end our church year in better shape than we did last year.

It means that we are starting this January with hopeful hearts and with a firm belief that our great institution here is going to be taken care of.

Quite a lot of the Thanksgiving collectings have not yet come in. These should make our January report stand well up, too; and it, all in all, makes us just want to devote this one page of our paper to one great big *thank you* to every member of the church in the Synod and to those hundreds of friends that may not be members of our church or may live outside of the state who have contributed so bountifully to our needs this year.

——P. O. H.——

### BOOKKEEPER'S NOTE

The following were taken from Miscellaneous Contributions Thanksgiving and credited to Churches:

| | |
|---|---|
| Charles G. Ross to Gastonia 1st. Church | 250.00 |
| W. T. McCoy, to Westminster Church, Charlotte, | 200.00 |
| W. O. Ryburn to Salisbury 1st. Church | 25.00 |
| Chas. J. Johnston to Salisbury 1st. Church | 5.00 |
| A. Buford, to Salisbury 1st. Church, | 10.00 |
| L. S. Bradshaw to Salisbury 1st. Church | 25.00 |
| TOTAL, - - - | $515.00 |

This makes a total of $1,315.36 for this month's Miscellaneous Thanksgiving Contributions and last month's total of $2,312.63 less $515.00 or $1,797.63 and the Church's Thanksgiving Returns $13,822.45 instead of $13,307.45. (Bookkeeper.)

### Note

All Miscellaneous Support Fund items in last month's issue were for the Thanksgiving Fund except the following:

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| J. K. Culbertson and wife, Cooleemee | 5.00 |
| F. P. Tate, Morganton | 6.00 |
| Dr. Wilbert Jackson, Clinton | 8.33 |
| A Fayetteville Friend | 6.00 |
| Mrs. A. P. Tharpe, Rocky Mt. | 10.00 |
| O. J. Thies Jr., Davidson College | 10.00 |
| Mrs. Juliette Ghigo, Barium Springs | 5.00 |
| A Barium Friend | 5.00 |
| A Newton Friend | 30.00 |

## Our January Activities

IN years past, January has been catch-up month. We try to do the things that we couldn't do during the hectic last two months of the year. We have given all of our time during the month of December in preparation of the holidays and activities during the holidays. During all this time we receive more gifts both individual and for the Institution than all the rest of the year put together. It is a time when our working force is more or less short-handed because each one has his or her own Christmas responsibilities, to give the children a thora consequence of all this, January the first finds us way behind in acknowledging the various gifts that come to us.

We have been accustomed to use January to catch up on this, take stock of our various activities, to give the children a torough going over and physical examination. We use January usually as a Thrift Month also, in which every one is given an opportunity to make some suggestion for the better carrying on of the work of the Orphanage, with an idea of saving both labor and money.

The last two years, however, and this year, we have had to devote January almost exclusively to making out a report to the Duke Endowment. In fact, for the last two years it has taken six weeks to get out this report. We usually spend two weeks grumbling about it and four weeks making out the actual report, and it takes pretty well the combined activity of those in the Manager's Office, the case worker and at least two other people on the place to get this thing done accurately. This year we are eliminating the two week's grumbling as we find that that does no good and will devote the entire month of January to getting out this particular report.

The physical examination of the children will be put off until February and we fear that quite a number of the acknowledgements for gifts will just not take place at all.

This is a work that we can not employ extra help to do, as it would be too much like professional wailers of the East. Unless we can express our thanks ourselves, we can't employ any one else to do it for us.

In addition to the many gifts that we receive, there are at least two hundred Christmas cards that come to us individually or to the Orphanage. Some of these cards are from business concerns which we do not feel that we have to acknowledge. The large majority of them, however, come from friends and old boys and girls who have sent back this brief greeting at the holiday season. We just have not been able since we have had this report to make out, to find time to answer all of these. We want to, but we just can't .

## INFIRMARY

Christmas is always pleasant at Barium Orphanage, but the beautiful weather and generous supply of presents made every one happy at the Infirmary.

Reid Brown was the only patient, but he was so well supplied with gifts and guests, from home and abroad, that he thought there were worse things than being a patient at the Infirmary.

Dick is going to join the travelers club. He received an auto, a racer, kiddy kart, bus, taxi, and an airplane.

Two new boys arrived Dec. 30, Daniel and Delbert Williams, from Ash County.

Miss Della Brown, who has received almost every child that has come to the orphanage for fifteen years was married Dec. 14 to Mr. A. L. Karriker of Kannapolis.

Miss Brown has been a member of the Home, as nurse, at the Infirmary for so long that her going from us to a new home makes us all feel one of our best and most beloved workers has gone. The Home wishes them much happiness.

Mrs. C. H. Larson visited Miss Moore Christmas. Mrs. Larson and Miss Moore worked together in the Good Will Mission School at Sisseton, S. D. in 1906-07 among the Sioux Indians and had many pleasant memories of from 30 to 40 degrees below zero weather and snow that covered fences, to recall.

A fine box of toys came to the Infirmary from Miss Laura Wright's Sunday School class, Clarkton, N. C.

One game of marbles and skill, is nameless, but has been kept busy ever since it came when the sick are not using it those helping try their luck.

The other books and toys are very much appreciated by the little folks who come and go from the house of sickness.

## Home Coming Day

Home Coming Day really happened. It started out raining and we were afraid that this would scare a good many of the old timers away. However, it really showed up. We did not have the big delegation from one particular town that we had hoped for; but in summing up the final staistics, we find that there were thirteen towns represented at the gathering, with Durham, Charlotte and Statesville tieing for the largest delegation. There was one Alumnus from Detroit; another from C hattanooga; another from Virginia.

Anyone who wanted to write a history of the Orphanage had the material at hand, as there was an unbroken line from the organization to the present time: G. H. Hipp of Charlotte was the oldest one present. He was the only one that had been here the first year of the Orphanage when the original building burned down. He could and did give in detail many of the happenings of the Orphanage when he left. Before he left, Mr. R. S. Ferguson now of Charlotte had entered. If all the things he says happened while he stayed here are true, the present written history of Barium is woefully inadequate. Ferguson seemed to enjoy the day and certainly added to the enjoyment of the rest of the visitors and our own crowd too.

Mrs. Suther, one of our near neighbors, Ruth Stanley as a girl, entered before Mr. Ferguson left, and before she left there were quite a number of the re-union crowd who could give Barium's history in detail.

Several of the men brought their wives and one even brought his daughter. She was the only grandchild of the Orphanage present. Raymond Dunn brought the newest wife that was present. There were also several husbands present and they seemed to enjoy the day immensely. We were hoping that at least two of the Hundred-percenters would be present. James Gray and his wife both being Barium products. We knew that Sam Jackins and his wife who was Margaret Jones were both too far away to come, but we were very much disappointed that Guy Jackson and Mrs. Jackson who was Miriam Jordan, did not extend their honeymoon to include a trip to this reunion.

Those that did come met after dinner and organized, electing a President, Secretary, and so on. They chose January the 1st, 1929, as their next Home Coming Day.

We are delighted that this is going to be an annual afair. We are going to save up turkeys, pigs, chickens, candy and everything that's good to eat for that big day. If they want to, we will give them an entertainment, or just let them gab the whole day long as they did this time. We had thought that the renewing of old acquaintances, swapping of experiences would be enough to entertain these home-comers. We believe that any exercises that we might put on

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## CHRISTMAS THRILLS!

The Christmas holly, leaf and berry,
Always look so good and cheery,
Suggesting things so glad and merry
As Christmas time draws near.
From whence the source of this glad ray
And drives our care so far away
That points us all to Christmas day
And fills our lives with cheer?

It all harks back to one glad morn
Long, long ago when Christ was born
To save a world so long forlorn,
Dispelling all its sadness.
And so it is that yuletide stills
Our restless lives and always fills
Our hearts and homes with Christmas thrills
And peace and joy and gladness.

What means this Christmas day to you?
Does your life echo ever true
To Him whose life and coming too
We celebrate today?
So many "Little ones" we find
Where fortune's sun has never shined
Nor has a ray of hope Divine
E'er shown upon their way.

So many hearts some burdens bear,
So many weighted down with care,
You find some one with whom to share
Your joyous Christmas glee.
So let your life His Gospel spread
And on this day some gladness shed,
All in the name of Him who said,
"Ye do it unto Me."

(W. L. HOOD, Derita, N. C.

# Mumps, Mud, Methodists.

**The Wind-up of the Football Season**

We had hoped to get the writeup of our final games in the December Messenger, but as it turned out, we are rather glad the Messenger went to press before this game took place. We have to let December the second soak for about thirty days before we can get the proper prospectus. Not that we were not properly soaked on that day, but there are just some things about that game that day that makes us enjoy it more the further off we are from it.

For three years now, we have been playing a game on the Saturday that comes nine days after Thanksgiving. Each year we have had the most beautiful weather and a most enthusiastic crowd of rooters. We thought history was going to repeat itself this year, and that our financial worries as far as the Athletic Association is concerned, would be taken care of on that day; that we would get some snappy photographs of the two teams in action and that above all, we would have the Orphanage Championship. We had arrangements for enough heavy material in the way of officials We had accommodations to take care of enough spectators to have paid us to have handled a Yale-Harvard game. way out of debt and to have handled all of the expenses of this game. We had enough coco-cola and peanuts to have satisfied also this big crowd of spectators during and between the halves. We killed a couple of extra hogs to take care of our guests' appetites and of our own. We had enough sweet potatoes cooked up for the boys to break training on for six months at a time and then it rained! and what I mean, it rained! It started before mid-night on Thursday night and kept at it harder and wetter until time for the game to start on Friday afternoon. The officials were there even to the extra ones to keep the crowd back, but there wasn't any crowd to keep back. We had our big friend, Rev. Eugene Alexander, to referee; we had Jack Caldwell, the very efficient famous Charlotte coach for Umpire, we had Tex Tilson, the Davidson Line Coach for head linesman; we had Monk Mattox, Davidson Freshman Coach, timekeeper; We had Fats Laws, Assistant linesman and a lot of spares like Dick Grey, and Peterson in case some of the others had a puncture. We won't go into horrible details of the game except to say that Barium ran away with the Raleigh Orphanage in the first half, three times bringing the ball to within scoring distance. The last time it seemed destined to be a certain touchdown, but was stopped on account of the half being up on the four yard line. The second half resulted in a score of 6to 0 for Raleigh. The total gate receipts were $3.00. Several of our boys looked as if they had been through a meat chopper, and when we finaly settled down to supper and read the Scoreboard which is a little paper that we get out as an Extra giving a full account of the games played here, it was voted by pretty nearly everybody that it was not the end of a perfect day.

But for the fact that another year is just around the corner, we would have been inclined to have felt gloomy. In the whole performance that day, there was one bright ray of sunshine--not from the sky, but from the sidelines--and that was the blankets that our boys wore out to the field. They didn't keep them on long. Everybody got an eye full. They are regulation size, black Athletic blankets with gold borders and gold "B." Something we have needed ever since we have been playing football and basketball, and something that we thought we could never afford to buy ourselves. In other words, it was something that we just wanted like wanting to go to Heaven, without there being any immediate prospects of realizing our wishes.

A good friend of ours over in Greensboro named Bill Preyer must have had a dream, because one day he asked our manager if there wasn't something that our football crowd needed that they couldn't supply themselves.

Of course, he knew about these blankets in two seconds after he had asked that question, and these beautiful blankets are th result of Mr. Preyer's generosity and thoughtfulness.

You know our boys can just naturally play better after having one of those blankets around them and knowing that they will have that to wrap up in on the way home or while they are still out in the open.

Speaking of the brand of football our boys play, anyway. We have heard so many good comments on, not only the good football they put out, but their sportsmanlike conduct that we are almost tempted to get out a special issue of the Messenger and just fill it up with these comments. But for the fact that the team might just get a little bit snooty and have the big-head, we might do this. They are not inclined to be that way, but the nice things that have been said about them would just be too much for them to get all in one dose. We are proud of our team, and we are delighted with everything that is done for their comfort and does them honor.

What about the Mumps? Well, all the time we were needing them so badly, two of our very best were parked at the Infirmary with mumps. Jack MacKay, Quarterback, and Robt. Wilkes, our only big boy, were the ones, and

*Jack McKay, Quarterback*

*Robt. Wilkes, Tackle*

they felt mean enough about it to suck a lemon. Too bad, maybe they ought to have been de mumped while they were little and being de-measled.

——P. O. H.——

## ALEXANDER *and* DAIRY

We folks are a little late this month but the Thanksgiving dinner delayed us. We sure had a good dinner that day.

But you see time changes things on certain days and this was a happening in our football games with Belmont Abbey and Raleigh. Because we had Raleigh and Belmont both licked during the first half of the games, but we lost just the same.

During the football season we had the date of each football game marked on the calendar. There aren't any football games in December, at least not after the tenth, but we have a day marked along toward the last of the month. It is Dec. 24 the day when get our Christmas "things."

Last Sunday (Dec. 4) we woke up to find snow on the ground. Of course, we had a good time sliding on it, but it soon melted and the ground was all muddy and the "house-cats" had to start to shoveling the snow off the floor.

The boys have started to setting rabbit hollows now and Jap Oliver had the luck of getting one rabbit.

Everybody has been saving up money to buy the pupils in their school room a present. Each one drawed names to give presents to one another.

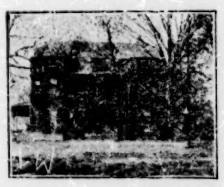
We will be glad when we get for the Christmas holidays for we are allowed to go to town and to have firecrackers.

A new boy came to stay with us Wednesday and we hope he likes to stay up here. His name is James Campbell and he is as funny as they make them.

Now that football is over the girls will start up basketball and we are rooting for them to get the State Orphanage Championship. We are about to believe that they can do it if it is possible.

*Reid Brown, Back on Varsity*
*Grover Miles (with helmet) a big rough guard on the undefeated "Mosquitoes."*
*His specialty is blocking kicks.*
*Capt. Sears (in the sporty white ducks.) He is a couple of 'Red' Granges boiled down to a pint.*

## ANNIE LOUISE COTTAGE



We wonder if everybody has the Christmas spirit as much as we do? You are bad off if you do.

We are sorry in a way that Christmas is coming because that means that our student matrons have to leave us and we hate so bad to see them go.

We have Miss Austin at our cottage and we feel like that we couldn't do without her as she is so funny and is always telling jokes.

There was a recital last week in Miss Greene's studio. We had three of our little girls to play and they did fine. We could hear them from the porch.

How did everyone enjoy the snow of December 4th? We had a big time and we are ready for it to snow again. Only if it wouldn't be so cold. ZORA LEE.

——P. O. H.——

## HOWARD COTTAGE

Christmas is about all we hear these days. It is just fifteen days until we have our Christmas tree which will be Friday night before Christmas. We are going to have it then so we can have all day Saturday to play with our things. So many of the girls are looking forward to a visit from their people during the holidays.

We are glad to see so many of the old children here at Christmas.

Lillian Wicker was talking about her mother working and she said her mother was step-supervisor over the women where she was working — (meaning supervisor.)

Margaret Pittman enjoyed a visit from her mother Thanksgiving.

Two of our girls have been at the Infirmary, but are well again, we are glad to say.

Mary Lee Kennedy visited her sister, Bessie at the Sanitorium Wednesday. LEONE EAST.

——P. O. H.——

## SYNOD COTTAGE

Here we are again. Only two more weeks until Christmas. My! but we are going to be some happy boys old Santa arrives at Synods. We are afraid he will be worn out after he has deliver and satisfied all the wants of forty little boys. But he should worry, he will have twelve long mos. to rest up in afterwards.

We each got a new wool cap of many colors the other day. But the day after we got them it suddenly turned warm. Don't you worry because we wore them just the same, cause we don't get a new wool cap every day. Some of the boys were so fond of theirs they wanted to sleep with them on.

Well, goodbye until after Christmas. We will tell you the rest then.

## BABY COTTAGE

We are all singing Christmas songs now, our matron and the girls are teaching them to us, for we always like to sing for the good friends who come to see us and send so many nice things to us not only for Christmas and Thanksgiving but all the time.

We are all getting over the whooping cough, at last it is not so bad now, and are expecting Catherine home soon. We will be so glad when we get all the sick ones back again. For weeks it looked as though we had a hospital here, so many had the whooping cough who didn't go to the Infirmary. Polly Garrett came home from the Infirmary a few days ago and is looking real well and pretty again. She and Ernestine want to write to their mother but they haven't her Greensboro address. She paid us a recent visit and several of the babies called her "mama" she is so pretty and sweet that all are glad to have her come.

Oh! How very, very sorry we are to see "Our Wootie" (Mrs. Wooten) leave Barium, Jack and Tom say she has gone to "Tucky", but we now hear that she went to Alabama. We hope some boys and girls will have her with them, for she is mighty good to little folks.

On Thanksgiving Mr. and Mrs. Alexander of Salisbury came to the Baby Cottage and brought us two boxes of lovely home made candy and my, but we made it fly. Some other kind folks sent us fruit and we had good things for a long time.

Lillian Sanders is a great little singer she and Evelyn Coppage are our youngest babies. Jack and Tom are getting to be such big boys and are so smart. We cant begin to tell all the smart things they say and do. They are beginning to learn lots of Mother Goose rhyms now.

We are all so glad to have Miss Bessie Moore one of the new matrons with us. She is filling the place of Miss Una Moore who is staying at the Infirmary.

We are wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

——P. O. H.——

**THOSE BLANKETS**

**Our team has had a gift, it's first one, but boy! it is a dandy one. Mr. Bill Preyer of Greensboro, hearing so much of our team's doings said that he wanted to do something for it. Those beautiful blankets are the result.**

**Every bit of our football equipment and basketball, too for that matter, is paid for with gate receipts. We want to manage always to do this, too, but these blankets are just something that we never seemed able to afford.**

**We needed them badly, too. A boy sitting on the sidelines half-frozen can't play good ball when called into the game. A boy coming out is in danger of pneumonia unless he has something to wrap up in. And then too, those classy girls on our basketball team, won't they enjoy them too. Friend Preyer we thank you. We will play better ball because of you.**

## RUMPLE HALL

How is everyone getting along this cold weather? We are getting along fine. Some of our girls have been sick though.

Christmas will soon be here and we are all looking forward to it. It will be here week after next and Gee! won't we be glad?

We are very sorry that the football season is over and also that the Raleigh Methodists won our last game.

We are looking forward to win all of the basketball games. We surely have a good team.

We were quite surprised on December 4th to find snow on the ground. We certainly do thank "Uncle Mun" for keeping up the steam for us these cold days.

We also want to thank the people for sending all the things that they did.

Three of our girls were on the Honor Roll last month and seven were on the Merit Roll. But we hope more will be on both this month.

We are all enjoying the Pollyana, Porchesi, and Rook games since we have to stay in the house most of the time.

Several of our girls asked for games for Christmas. Good-bye, friends.

NAOMI CROOK &
EULA LEE WALTON

# A Christmas Story
## *"The Gift of The Magi"*

By O. Henry

One dollar and eighty-seven cents. That was all. And sixty cents of it was in pennies. Pennies saved one and two at a time by bulldozing the grocer and the vegetable man and the butcher until one's checks burned with the silent imputation of parsimony that such close dealing implied. Three times Della counted it. One dollar and eighty-seven cents. And the next day would be Christmas.

There was clearly nothing to do but flop down on the shabby little couch and howl. So Della did it. Which instigates the moral reflection that life is made up of sobs, sniffs, and smiles, with sniffles predominating.

While the mistress of the home is gradually subsiding from the first stage to the second, take a look at the home. A furnished flat at $8 per week. It did not exactly beggar description but it certainly had that word on the lookout for the mendicancy squad.

In the vestibule below was a letter-box into which no letter would go, and an electric button from which no mortal finger could coax a ring. Also appertaining thereunto was a card bearing the name "Mr. James Dillingham Young."

The "Dillingham" had been flung to the breeze during a former period of prosperity when its possessor was being paid $30 per week. Now, when the income was shrunk to $20, the letters of "Dillingham" looked blurred, as though they were thinking seriously of contracting to a modest and unassuming D. But whenever Mr. James Dillingham Young came home and reached his flat above he was called "Jim" and greatly hugged by Mrs. James Dillingham Young, already introduced to you as Della. Which is all very good.

Della finished her cry and attended to her cheeks with the powder rag. She stood by the window and looked out dully at a gray cat walking a gray fence in a gray backyard. Tomorrow would be Christmas Day, and she had only $1.87 with which to buy Jim a present. She had been saving every penny she could for months, with this result. Twenty dollars a week doesn't go far. Expenses had been greater than she had calculated. They always are. Only $1.87 to buy a present for Jim. Her Jim. Many happy hour she had spent planning for something nice for him. Something fine and rare and sterling—something just a little bit near to being worthy of the honor of being owned by Jim.

There was a narrow mirror in the window between the windows of the room. Perhaps you have seen a pier glass in an $8 flat. A very thin and [illegible] observing his conception of his looks. Della, being slender, had mastered the art.

Suddenly she whirled from the window and stood before the glass. Her eyes were shining brilliantly, but her face had lost its color within twenty seconds. Rapidly she pulled down her hair and let it fall to its full length.

Now, there were two possessions of the James Dillingham Youngs in which they both took a mighty pride. One was Jim's gold watch that had been his father's and his grandfather's. The other was Della's hair. Had the Queen of Sheba lived in the flat across the air shaft, Della would have let her hair hang out the window some day to dry just to depreciate Her Majesty's jewels and gifts. Had King Solomon been the janitor, with all his treasures piled up in the basement, Jim would have pulled out his watch every time he passed, just to see him pluck at his beard from envy.

So now Della's beautiful hair fell about her, rippling and shining like a cascade of brown waters. It reached below her knee and made itself almost a garment for her. And then she did it up again nervously and quickly. Once she faltered for a minute and stood still while a tear or two splashed on the worn red carpet.

On went her old brown jacket; on went her old brown hat. With a whirl of skirts and with the brilliant sparkle still in her eyes, she fluttered out of the door and down the stairs to the street.

Where she stopped, the sign read "Mme. Sofronie. Hair Goods of All Kinds." One flight up Della ran, and collected herself, panting. Madame, large too white, chilly, hardly looked the "Sofronie."

"Will you buy my hair?" asked Della.

"I buy hair," said Madame. "Take yer hat off and let's have a sight at the looks of it."

Down rippled the brown cascade.

"Twenty dollars," said Madame, lifting the mass with a practiced hand.

"Give it to me quick," said Della.

Oh, and the next two hours trippled by on rosy wings. Forget the hashed metaphor. She was ransacking the stores for Jim's present.

She found it at last. It surely had been made for Jim and no one else. There was no other like it in any of the stores, and she had turned all of them inside out. It was a platinum fob chain, simple and chaste in design, properly proclaiming its value by substance alone and not by meretricious ornamentation—as all good things should do. It was even worthy of The Watch. As soon as she saw it she knew that it must be Jim's. It was like him. Quietness and value—the description applied to both. Twenty-one dollars they took from her for it, and she hurried home with the 87 cents. With that chain on his watch Jim might be properly anxious about the time in any company. Grand as the watch was, he sometimes looked at it on the sly on account of the old leather strap that he used in place of a chain.

When Della reached home her intoxication gave way a little to prudence and reason. She got out her curling irons and lighted the gas and went to work repairing the ravages made by generosity added to love. Which is always a tremendous task, dear friends—a mammoth task.

Within forty minutes her head was covered with tiny, closelying curls that made her look wonderfuly like a truant school boy. She looked at her reflection in the mirror long, carefully and critically.

"If Jim doesn't kill me," she said to herself, "before he takes a second look at me, he'll say I look like a Coney Island chorus girl. But what could I do—oh! what could I do with a dollar and enghty-seven cents?"

At 7 o'clock the coffee was made and the frying-pan was on the back of the stove hot and ready to cook the chops.

Jim was never late. Della doubled the fob chain in her hand and sat on the corner of the table near the door that he always entered. Then she heard his step on the stair away down on the first flight, and she turned white for just a moment. She had a habit of saying little silent prayers about the simplest everyday things, and now she whispered: "Please God, make him think I am still pretty."

The door opened and Jim stepped in and closed it. He looked thin and very serious. Poor fellow, he was only twenty-two—and to be burdened with a family! He needed a new overcoat and he was without gloves.

Jim stopped inside the door, as immovable as a setter at the scent of quail. His eyes were fixed upon Della, and there was an expression in them that she could not read, and it terrified her. It was not anger, nor surprise, nor disapproval, nor horror, nor any of the sentiments that she had been prepared for. He simply stared at her fixedly with that peculiar expression on his face.

Della wriggled off the table and went for him.

"Jim, darling," she cried, "don't look at me that way. I had my hair cut off and sold it because I couldn't live through Christmas without giving you a present. It'll grow out again—you won't mind, will you? I just had to do it. My hair grows awfully fast. Say 'Merry Christmas,' Jim, and let's be happy. You don't know what a nice—what a beautiful, nice gift I've got for you."

"You've cut off your hair?" asked Jim laboriously, as if he had not arrived at that patent fact yet, even after the hardest mental labor.

"Cut it off and sold it," said Della. "Don't you like me just as well, anyhow? I'm me without my hair, ain't I?"

Jim looked about the room curiously.

"You say your hair is gone?" he said, with an air almost of idiocry.

"You needn't look for it," said Della. It's sold, I tell you—it went for you. Maybe the hairs of my head were numbered," she went on with a sudden serious sweetness, "but nobody could ever count my love. Shall I put the chops on, Jim?"

Out of his trance Jim seemed quickly to awaken. He enfolded his Della. For ten seconds let us look with critical scrutiny some inconsequential object in the other direction. Eight dollars a week or a million a year—what is the difference? A mathematician or a wit would give you the wrong answer. The magi brought valuable gifts, but that was not among them. This dark assertion will be illuminated later on.

Jim drew a package from his overcoat pocket and threw it upon the table.

"Don't make any mistake, Dell," he said, "about me. I don't think there's anything in the way of a haircut or a shave or a shampoo that could make me like my girl any less. But if you'll unwrap that package you may see why you had me going a while at first."

White fingers and nimble tore at the string and paper. And then an ecstatic scream of joy; and then, alas! a quick feminine change to hysterical tears and wails, necessitating the immediate employment of all the comforting powers of the lord of the flat.

For there lay The Combs—the set of combs, side and back, that Della had worshipped for long in a Broadway window. Beautiful combs, pure tortoise shell, with jeweled rims—just the shade to wear in the beautiful vanished hair. They were expensive combs, she knew, and her heart had simply craved and yearned over them without the least hope of possession. And now they were hers, but the tresses that should have adorned the coveted adornments were gone.

But she hugged them to her bosom, and at length she was able to look up with dim eyes and a smile and say: "My hair grows so fast, Jim!"

And then Della leaped up like a little singed cat and cried, "Oh, oh!"

Jim had not yet seen his beautiful present. She held it out to him eagerly upon her open palm. The dull precious metal seemed to flash with a reflection of her bright and ardent spirit.

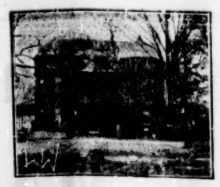
"Isn't it a dandy, Jim? I hunted all over town to find it. You'll have to look at the time a hundred times a day now. Give me your match. I want to see how it looks on it."

Instead of obeying, Jim tumbled down on the couch and put his hands under the back of his head and smiled.

"Dell," said he, "let's put our Christmas presents away and keep 'em a while. They're too nice to use just at present. I sold the watch to get the money to buy your combs. And now suppose you put the chops on."

The magi, as you know, were wise men—wonderfully wise men — who brought gifts to the Babe in the manger. They invented the art of giving Christmas presents. Being wise, their gifts were no doubt wise one, possibly bearing the privilege of exchange in case of duplication. And here I have lamely related to you the uneventful chronicle of two foolish children in a flat who most unwisely sacrificed for each other the greatest treasurers of their house. But in a last word to the wise of these days let it be said that of all who give gifts these two were the wisest. Of all who give and receive gifts, such as they are wisest. Everywhere they are wisest. They are the magi.

## ANNIE LOUISE COTTAGE



We are back in school again after the fine holidays we had and are studying hard for our mid-term examinations which we have been dreading.

We all enjoyed the basket ball game Saturday Night and we are proud of our girls for the way they have started out and we wish them all a great success.

Skating is our greatest pleasure now as it is cold. We can skate all evening and not get hot and tired. It certainly is a wonder that our side walk is not worn out from the way it has been used.

It is awfully hard to think of anything now as nothing new has happened of any interest. We will do better next time I am sure.

——P. O. H.——

## JENNY GILMER COTTAGE

We have been having fine weather for the last few days but seems as if everything will be spoiled because of the threating rain.

Our athletics are coming along just fine. On Thursday, January 12th the girls basket ball team played Mooresville and won by a score of 48 to 6. Saturday, January, 14th brought about another game with Statesville and also a wrestling meet with Davidson. Barium but lost the wrestling match ended at a score of 20 to 8 in favor of Davidson Fresh. Donaldson was the only one of Barium's men who scored. Two old Barium boys were members of the Davidson team.

Last Monday (January, 16th) started off with examinations. The High School took their physical examinations and the next day started the mid-term exams. We had one and two a day for the rest of the week.

We have been having extra good movie programs lately. A short time after Christmas we had "The Greater Glory" and a few weeks later "The Enchanted Hill." We wish to thank our Charlotte friends for these extra good pictures.

——P. O. H.——

## LOTTIE WALKER
### Second Floor

Since last we wrote you Christmas has come and gone.

We hope you enjoyed the holidays as much as we did.

We had the distribution of gifts at 9:30 Saturday morning, in time to look things over before breakfast at seven.

My, we had loads of nice things and such a big pile it did make in the middle of the sitting room floor!

We had a party on Tuesday afternoon from four to six. We girls did all the receiving and serving. We invited Mr. and Mrs. Johnston, Rev. and Mrs. Brown, and all the High School girls.

We felt very much honored when Rev. Dr. Robertson came. You know he is the author of "The Only Nancy" and "John King." That night he gave us a splendid illustrated lecture on The Life of Christ.

We were all sorry to give up Mrs. Wooten and Miss Nurse just before Christmas. They lived on our hall and on finishing the course Mrs. Wooten went to Mobile, Ala. and Miss Nurse to the Thompson Orphanage in Charlotte.

We are glad to have Mrs. Massey back again. She was detained at home a week on account of business. Her school children are also glad to get her back.

We are now hard at work getting ready for mid-term exams and will not grieve when they are over.

We are in the midst of basketball season and our girls are covering themselves with glory by the fine playing they are doing. Our second team is playing Mooresville next Friday. Here's hoping they win.

## EXCHANGES *and* Wheezes

Rev. George Washington Jackson had lost a fine fat 'possum. Later, at a revival, one of the grief-stricken mourners would not be comforted.

"Cheer up, brothah," exorted Rev. Jackson. "No matter what yo' sin, it will be fo'given."

"But not diss'un," sobbed the mourner. "Ah sho' am a pow'ful sinnah."

"Yo' stole some white man's chickens?"

"Wussen 'at."

"Oh, Lawd, help dis po' lamb. Has yo' used a razzuh?"

"Wussen 'at. It's wussen murdah, Brothah Jackson."

"Den ah know," shouted the preacher, coming down from the pulpit, peeling off his coat. "De good Lawd kin fo'give yo' effen He feels dat a way, but ah's gwine to climb yo frame. Yo's de skunk what stole mah 'pussum"—The Kablegram.

### EVERY LITTLE BIT COUNTS

The judge gasped with horrified wonder at the accused murderer.

"Do you mean to tell me," he asked indignantly, "that you killed this poor old woman for a paltry three dollars?"

"Well, yer know how it is, Yer Honor; t'ree smacks here, and t'ree smacks there; it soon counts up."—The Plumbing and Heating Supply Salesman.

### MEATING AT THHE ALTAR

Parde: "Do you take this woman for butter or for wurst?"

Harde: "Oh, liver alone. I never sausage nerve!"—Virginia Reel.

### ABOUT THE SIZE OF IT

"What's that big hole in the sidewalk?"

"Some skeptic threw his fountain pen out of the twenty-sixth-story window."Cincinnatic Cynic.

### HORSE SENSE?

You can drive a man to drink but you have to lead a horse.

Teacher: "Robert, here is an example in substraction. Seven boys went down to a creek to bathe, but two of them had been told not to go in the water. Now, can you inform me how many went in?"

Robert: "Yes'm; seven."

June Bride: "I would like to buy an easy chair for my husband."

Salesman: "Morris?"

June Bride: "No, Clarence."

Hoccus: "Do you expect to spend a pleasent Christmas?"

Pokus: "I ought to, that's about all I will have to spend."

Mrs Meyser: "Could you give me a little Christmas money, my dear?"

Mr. Meyser: Certainly, my dear. About how little?"

Irate Parent: "I'll teach you to make love with my daughter, sir."

Young Man: "I wish you would old boy, I'm not making much headway."

Frances: Just because I'm engaged to Joe, dosen't mean I'm going to marry him.

Norah: No, dear, of course not. He may back out.

A peach came walking down the street
She was more than passing fair;
A smile, a nod, a half-closed eye,
And the peach became a pair.

Mr. Newlywed: Here is a bill for a dress you must have bought some time ago.

Mrs. Newlywed: Oh yes, that is for the one you liked so well, the bulgolie, don't you remember? Why, I wore it the night you proposed.

Mr. Newlywed: (talking to himself afterward) H'm that's going some, paying for the bait and hook caught on.

The Boy Friend: Say, who's the glum-looking guy that drives your car around, and works in the garden? I notice he always gives me a nasty look when I come in.

The Girl Friend: Oh, don't mind him. That's just father.

——P. O. H.——

"Does your husband sing to the baby when he cries?"

"Not now. The people in the next flat notified us that they preferred to hear the baby cry."

"Oh, doctor, I forgot to ask you about that eye medicine.."

"What about it?"

"Do I drop it in my eyes before or after meals?"

First Loafer: "I hear all the men have gone on a strike."

Second Loafer: "What have they struck for?"

"Shorter hours."

"Luck to 'em. I allus did say that sixty minutes was too long for an hour."

## LOTTIE WALKER
### First Floor

We are writing the news before the exams because we know we will be unprepared after them. We girls are busy studying trying not to make the "Flunk Roll".

The Basket Ball team is progressing rapidly. They have played two games ,and won both by an uneven score. First, with Mooresville Hi. winning with a score of 46 to 8. Next our "Whirl Winners" met Ruth and her squad from Statesville. It seemed that the "Whirl Winners" could not put out all they had because of their close friendship with Statesville. Coach O'Kelly's "Golden Whirl Winners" are having a hard practice preparing themselves to meet the team that Coach MacMillan's squad met first. Everybody is pepped up over basket ball, and are showing their hospitality by applauding during the games. This is appreciated very much by the team.

Gee, but the bookcases that Mr. Nesbit made for us are serving their purpose. We, in behalf of the first floor, thank you for your thoughtfulness.

Most of us made New Year's resolutions, but some kept the ones they had last year, because they were as good as new.

While supposed to be ringing some clothes Matoka was over at the ringer reading.

Letha: "What are you ringing, Matoka?"

Matoka, looking up from her book; "Lena Rivers."

Robert: As he and Louise were having an argument, "You weren't any spring chicken when you fell for me."

Louise, "No, but I was a goose."

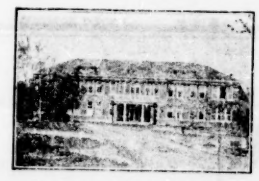
Edith Johnson, seeking advice; "What is the best way to keep a man's love?"

Miss Reese: "Not return it."

So thats that.

You'd be surprised.

## INFIRMARY



Well here we are once more. It seems like just as soon as we write the news for one month it is ready for the next.

We have about thirteen patients now. Today Miss Moore called Dr. Adams out to see one of our patients. What do you think he had; scarlet fever. So Miss Moore got her old job back.

Miss Brown who was married not long ago has not been back to see us yet. But we are still looking for her every day. For we hope she hasn't forgotten us.

Every body surely had a good time during Christmas holidays. Old Santa was so good to us all.

Our girls have played two games of basket ball this year and the good thing about it is that they won both of them. We hope to say at the end of the season, that we won them all. This coming Saturday night our girls are going to play Mitchell College.

Mr. C. D. Brown and W. C. Brown changed pulpits Sunday. We all enjoyed hearing Mr. Brown's sermon.

The other day Minnie told Gladys to put on some grits. Gladys went to stir them and she saw they were swollen. She said, "Minnie the grits are nearly done."

As news is short we will close so to think of something to say next time.

——P. O. H.——

Little Richard: "Mother may I have a nickel for the old man who is outside crying?"

Mother: "Yes, dear, but what is the old man crying about?"

Richard: "He's crying, 'Peanuts five cents a bag."

At the grave of the departed the old darkey pastor stood, hat in hand. Looking into the abyss he delivered himself of the funeral oration. "Samuel Johnson," he said sorrowfully, "you is gone. An' we hopes you is gone where we 'specks you ain't."

# STEWARDSHIP PAGE

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# Every Member Canvass---Synod Of North Carolina

# SUNDAY, MARCH 11th

## $824,000.00——OUR GOAL——$824,000.00

## 10 Per Cent For God Will Put Us "Over The Top" And More

## "God Owns The Dollar . . . Man Owes The Dime"

### Every Church Enlisted Every Member Canvassed

To be sucessful, the Every Member Canvass must be:

1. Recognized as a spiritual task and conceived in prayer.
2. Based on a carefully prepared budget and plan of financing the local church.
3. Planned by a campaign committee representing the men, women, Sunday School and young people, appointed by the session with congregational secretary of Stewardship as chairman.
4. Preceded by education of every member in the whole work of the whole Church, with publicity from pulpit, in organizations and news channels. The budget must be humanized and vitalized and the people inspired as well as informed.
5. Thoroughly organized with teams of canvassers prepared with canvassers lists, canvassing cards, survey of membership and instruction as to methods.

   Ten per cent of the membership of the church should be enlisted as canvassers.
6. A canvass of every member every year for a weekly pledge.
7. One in which the budget for current expenses and benevolences is fully subscribed in one day.
8. Succeeded by a thorough follow-up-through-the-year plan, including the canvass of new members and a regular plan of report to congregation on state of finances.
9. One that insists that pledges be paid weekly through envelopes furnished for this purpose.
10. Planned in prayer, worked out in prayer and completed in prayer.

The date of the next Every Member Canvass is March 11th, 1928.

### Supplies for Every Member Canvass

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I. FOR MAKING THE CANVASS (No Charge)

1. Every Member Canvass Subscription Card.
2. Canvassers Lists.
3. Budget Blanks for Churches.

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5. Tither's Enrollment Card.
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7. In Partnership with God.
8. The King's Business.
9. Stewardship Catechism.
10. Life Complete Through Stewardship.
11. Practical Plans for Publicity.
12. Plan of Finance for Local Church (Mimeographed—one copy to a Church).
13. The Story of a Mountain Widow.
14. "O Doctor,"—a drama on the budget.

III. STEWARDSHIP BOOKS

16. "The Larger Stewardship," by Cook—15 cents.
17. "Stewardship in the Life of Youth," by Williamson and Wallace—50 cents.
18. "Stewardship Stories" (for Juniors), by Morrill—50 cents.
19. Junior Stewards Account Book—10 cents.

### A Suggested Time Schedule for E.M.C.

1. **January 4th**—First Meeting of Officers to Plan for E. M. C.
2. **January 11th**—Second Meeting of Officers to Plan for E. M. C.
   Make the Budget;
   Appoint a Campaign Committee,—one representative from men, women, young people and Sunday School with Congregational Secretary of Stewardship as as Chairman.
3. **January 18th**—First Meeting of Campaign Committee to:
   Survey membership and district congregation; Select Canvassers;
   Plan Publicity;
   Appoint committees and other work necessary.
4. **January 25th**—Second Meeting of Campaign Committee to:
   Complete education plans for the E. M. C.
5. **February 5th**—Full announcement from pulpit of plans for the canvass.
6. **February 12th**—Four minute talk before whole church by a member of the Campaign Committee.
7. **February 19th**—Plans for E. M. C. fully completed. Short talks in each church organization on the meaning of the E. M. C.
8. **February 21st**—Letter to every family, signed by pastor and Campaign Committee and enclosing "The King's Business."
   Obligation of Our Membership [illegible] Church."
   Lessons for canvass in every organization in the church
11. **March 11th**—Annual Every Member Canvass. Canvassers publicly set apart to their task. Sermon, "Every Church Enlisted: Every Member Canvassed."
12. **March 12th**—Mail report to Presbytery's Secretary of Stewardship.

(The above is suggestive only. Each Church will modify to suit local needs. Let us have the best canvass in the history of the Church on March 11th, 1928.)

# "WILL A MAN ROB GOD?"

MARCH 11

GOD SAYS MAN HAS BEEN GUILTY OF ROBBERY IN THE PAST. HEAR HIM SPEAKING THROUGH MALACHI 3:8—

*"Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, wherein have we robbed Thee? In Tithes and Offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse; for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation. Bring ye all the Tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of Heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."*

HOW MUCH DO YOU REALLY GIVE TO BENEVOLENCES OF YOUR CHURCH?

| IF YOUR PLEDGE PER YEAR AMOUNTS TO | | $26.00 | 52.00 | 104.00 | 208.00 | 416.00 |
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| BEING PER WEEK FOR ALL BENEVOLENCES | | .50 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 4.00 | 8.00 |
| YOU GIVE WEEKLY TO:— | | | | | | |
| FOREIGN MISSIONS | 33.3% or | .16 2-3 | .33 1-3 | .66 2-3 | 1.33 1-3 | 2.66 2-3 |
| ASSEMBLY'S HOME MISSIONS | 16. % or | .08 | .16 | .32 | .64 | 1.28 |
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| ASSEMBLY'S TRAINING SCHOOL | .6% or | .003 | .006 | .012 | .024 | .048 |
| BIBLE CAUSE | .6% or | .003 | .006 | .012 | .024 | .048 |
| SYNOD'S HOME MISSIONS | 10 % or | .05 | .10 | .20 | .40 | .80 |
| SCHOOLS & COLLEGES | 7.7% or | .0435 | .087 | .17 | .28 | .56 |
| UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY | 1.3% or | .0055 | .011 | .022 | .044 | .088 |
| BARIUM SPRINGS ORPHANAGE | 7.5% or | .03 1-2 | .07 | .14 | .28 | .56 |
| PRESBYTERIAL HOME MISSIONS | 12.5% or | .06 1-4 | .12 1-2 | .25 | .50 | 1.00 |

MARCH 11

"UPON THE FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK, LET EVERY ONE OF YOU LAY BY HIM IN STORE, AS GOD HAS PROSPERED HIM."—1 Cor. 16:2.

I.—WEEKLY, "THE FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK"

II.—INDIVIDUALLY. "LET EVERY ONE OF YOU"

III.—PROPORTIONATELY. "AS GOD HAS PROSPERED YOU"

## PRAY FERVENTLY PLAN WISELY WORK EARNESTLY

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## LOTTIE WALKER
### First Floor

We certainly have enjoyed seeing the football games up here this season. We think our boys played splendidly and you can guess how proud we are of the record they made. We are looking forward to basketball season now and we know our girls are going to strut their stuff.

Just a word to the boys. You will admit that the girls did some good yelling for you all while you were out on the football field fighting for old B. P. O. The girls are expecting you to support them in the same way during basketball season and we think it is your duty to help cheer them too! Who is going to help?

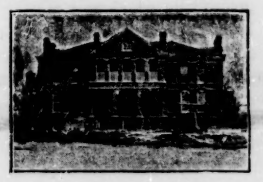
We have had some terrible weather up here lately. Sunday morning we woke up and found snow on the ground. This caused much sickness on the campus among which a number of our girls and also our matron have been a victim.

We can hardly wait until Christmas We are expecting Santa to be real good to us and anyway December is such a jolly month that everone seems to be happy.

Eachone of the girls is getting along successfully in school. I don't suppose anyone has forgotten that mid-term examinations come after the Christmas holidays, but just this word of warning, "you had better make hay while the sun shines."

——P. O. H.——

## LEES' COTTAGE



Never lose an opportunity of seeing anything beautiful. Welcome beauty in every fair face, every fai r sky. evry fair flower, thank God for it who is the fountain of all loveliness. Drink it simply and earnestly with all your eyes, for it is a cup of blessing.

Our thoughts are turning toward Christmas now. May we see the beauty of Holiness and may we meditate often on Him who came to the world more than two thousand years ago, bringing good tidings of great joy which shall be to all men— and on earthd "Peace."

Some of our boys have been to the Infirmary with heavy colds. We are glad to say that all are well and we hope everybody will be well for the holidays. We expect to have a happy time. Some of us are looking forward to a Christmas tree and the fun we do have decorating. We won't have to be called or have a bell rung Christmas morning—something wakes us up without any of that. It must be the spirit of Christmas.

We are thinking of one of our boys who is still at Sanitorium. We wish him a merry Christmas—that is Fred Edwards, and all or any others who may be there.

Well, we'll write more next time. And so with Tiny Tim we close with "A Merry Christmas to all and God bless everyone. And God bless the whole world.

——P. O. H.——

### A LITTLE GIRL POET

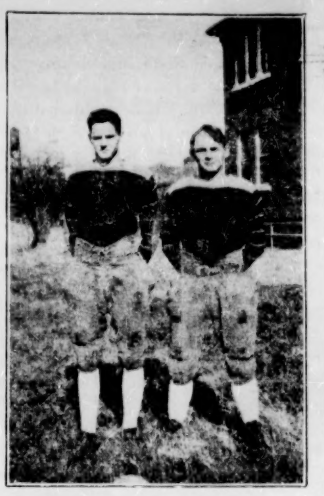
*I hear my mother washing*
*The dishes and the spoons,*
*While I am spinning softly*
*A web of suns and moons.*

*I hear her clink the silver*
*Against the soapy pail,*
*While I am scratching loudly*
*A little inky trail.*

*I make a tale of ancient towns,*
*Of Troys and Camelots;*
*She makes a peaceful shining*
*Among the kitchen pots.*

*I think my song is rather pretty*
*And very, very sweet.*
*My mother, though, makes better songs*
*With things to eat!*

*Kathryn Worth*
*403 West 115th st.,*
*New York City*



*OUR BALL TOTERS*

### THANKSGIVING RETURNS

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|---|---|
| Whiteville Church | 72.50 |
| Ironton S. S. | 10.60 |
| Pinehurst Church | 95.64 |
| Rowland S. S. | 19.56 |
| Stony Creek Church | 18.28 |
| Auxiliary Stony Creek | 11 00 |
| S. S. Stony Creek | 3.72 |
| Caldwell Memorial Church | 157.64 |
| Caldwell Memorial Church, Chas. A. Torrence | 10.00 |
| Caldwell Memorial Church, Blanche A. Theis | 1.00 |
| Caldwell Memorial Church, Viola F. Martin | 5.00 |
| Caldwell Memorial Church, Mrs. A. H. Frazer | 5.00 |
| Caldwell Memorial Church, A. H. Frazer | 25.00 |
| Caldwell Memorial Church, J. W. Frazer | 15.00 |
| Chimney Rock Church | 25.00 |
| Paw Creek S. S. | 88.14 |
| Steele Creek Church | 350.00 |
| Aux. Springwood | 20.00 |
| Goshen Church | 19.00 |
| Winston-Salem 1st Church | 750.00 |
| Fuller Memorial Church, | 59.00 |
| Fuller Memorial D. M. McKay | 50.00 |
| Fuller Memorial Church Sunday School | 30.00 |
| Aux. Phoenix | 7.30 |
| Rowland Church | 130.00 |
| Laurinburg Church | 347.86 |
| Shiloh Church | 58.65 |
| Montpelier Sunday School | 12.10 |
| Apex Church | 15.00 |
| Bostic Church | 20.00 |
| Philadelphus Church | 17.06 |
| Aux. Philadelphus Church | 4.00 |
| Aux. Erwin | 10.00 |
| Erwin Church | 11.00 |
| Teachy S. S. | 8.00 |
| Waldensian S. S. | 16.42 |
| Front Street S. S. | 66.65 |
| Madison Church | 52.75 |
| P. Y. P. L. Black River | 3.85 |
| Shelby Church | 175.58 |
| Aux. Eureka | 15.00 |
| Jr. Aux. Black River | 3.85 |
| Fairmont Church | 29.00 |
| Burgaw Church | 28.90 |
| Burgaw C. E. | 5.00 |
| Jacksonville Church | 52.50 |
| Rocky Mt. Second Church | 10.00 |
| Morton Church | 3.00 |
| Duke S. S. | 20.63 |
| Wm. and Mary Hart S. S. | 50.35 |
| Galatia Church | 20.00 |
| Mulberry S. S. | 27.58 |
| Westminster Church | 120 00 |
| McGee S. S. | 90.00 |
| Brookston S. S. | 25.00 |
| Union Church | 62.50 |
| Tryon Church | 10.10 |
| Hepzibah Church | 6.00 |
| Aux. Southport | 15.00 |
| Dallas Church | 30.00 |
| S. S. Mitchiner Mem. | 10.15 |
| Circle 1, Aux. Trinity Ave. | 18.00 |
| Fairview Church | 3.70 |
| Morehead City | 11.00 |
| 2nd. Church Charlotte | 1,563.05 |
| Glenwood Church | 44.82 |
| Warrenton Church | 25.00 |
| Jackson Springs S. S. | 5.00 |
| Hopewell S. S. | 14.21 |
| Sanford Church | 222.21 |
| Fairfield Church | 21.00 |
| Little River Church | 66.55 |
| Aux. Bethesda | 2.75 |
| S. S. Elizabethtown | 11.25 |
| Gastonia 1st. Church, Business Women's Circle | 33.50 |
| Paw Creek Church | 48.85 |
| Community S. S. | 2.80 |
| Wilmington Church | 4.50 |
| Winston-Salem 1st. Church | 350.00 |
| Lumberton Church | 206.10 |
| Eureka S. S. | 23.38 |
| Barbecue S. S. | 14.00 |
| Bethesda S. S. | 32.00 |
| Cross Roads Church | 1.00 |
| Centre Ridge S. S. | 3.00 |
| Efland Church | 18.50 |
| Calypso Church | 53.80 |
| Highland Church | 156.57 |
| Westminster S. S. | 14.00 |
| Madison S. S. | 17.57 |
| Pittsboro Church | 39.25 |
| Bethpage Church | 56.10 |
| Glen Alpine Church | 12.65 |
| Mooresville 2nd Church | 82.50 |
| Salisbury 2nd Church | 61.45 |
| Nahalah Church | 14.50 |
| Nahalah S. S. | 4.00 |
| Harrisburg Church | 11.40 |
| Aux., Harrisburg | 4.25 |
| Culdee Church | 63.55 |
| Mt. Airy 1st. Church | 57.90 |
| Mt. Aiy 1st. S. S. | 21.97 |
| Spindale Church | 18.00 |
| N. Charlotte Church | 15.00 |
| Ashpole Church | 76.30 |
| Raeford Church | 62.10 |
| Mt. Zion S.S. | 100.00 |
| Thomasville S.S. | 50.00 |
| Jr. C. E. Sanford | 3.00 |
| Kannapolis S. S. | 125.00 |
| Antioch Church | 120.00 |
| Henderson Church | 325.00 |
| Burlington 2nd. S.S. | 34.84 |
| Kings Mountain 1st. Church | 111.00 |
| Alamance Church | 83.32 |
| Eno Church | 23.33 |
| Mebane Church | 223.00 |
| Westminster Church | 90.00 |
| Yanceyville Church | 21.00 |
| Aux., Clarkton | 9.53 |
| Aux. Burgaw | 6.00 |
| Church of Covenant | 127.60 |
| St. Pauls S. S. | 101.80 |
| Charlotte 2nd S. S. | 185.00 |
| Mooresville 1st Church | 450.17 |
| South River Church | 25.10 |
| Brittain Church | 37.80 |
| Aux. Pleasant Hill | 10.00 |
| Aux. Morven | 17.00 |
| White Plains Church | 1.00 |
| White Hill Church | 37.45 |
| Wilmore Church | 38.85 |
| Aux. Charlotte2nd Church | 1,164.00 |
| Reynolda Church | 55.95 |
| Reynolda Church, Mrs. Senah C. Kent | 200.00 |
| Reynolda Church, Mr. and Mrs. S. Wilson Gray | 150.00 |
| Reynolda Church, J. E Johnston | 250.00 |
| Reynolda Church, Miss Delphine Carter | 25.00 |
| Reynolda Church, A friend | 30.00 |
| Reynolda Church, Mrs. Mary C. Follin | 25.00 |
| Reynolda Church, Jarnes S. Dunn | 25.00 |
| Morganton 1st Church | 210.18 |
| Rutherfordton Church | 94.50 |
| Hopewell Church | 25.32 |
| High Point 1st S. S. | 180.00 |
| High Point 1st Church | 409.00 |
| Reidsville Church | 16.38 |
| Aux. Willard | 7.15 |
| Holly Grove Church | 31.00 |
| Washington Church | 174.50 |
| Washington S. S. Vanguard Class | 25.50 |
| White Oak S. S. | 5.00 |
| Spring Wood Church | 57.72 |
| Maxton Church | 87.69 |
| Mt. Tabor Church | 9.12 |
| Prospect Church | 67.15 |
| New Hope Church | 20.19 |
| Thomasboro Church | 5.00 |
| Robinson Church | 18.00 |
| McPherson Church | 110.00 |
| Aux. Black River | 5.00 |
| Aux. Warsaw | 36.00 |
| Third Creek Church | 50.00 |
| Ashe County Churches | 26.70 |
| Union Church | 18.00 |
| Parmelee S. S. | 5.25 |
| Aux. Ralieh 1st | 106.30 |
| Calvary Church | 20.00 |
| Bensalem Church | 36.00 |
| West End Church | 25.45 |
| Euphronia Church | 17.36 |
| Woodburn S. S. | 10.31 |
| Marshville Church | 14.65 |
| Benson S. S. | 12.77 |
| St. Andrews Church | 236.00 |
| Aux. Albermarle | 6.19 |
| Rocky Point Church | 1.10 |
| McClures Church | 2.00 |
| Piedmont Church | 11.00 |
| New Salem Church | 25.00 |
| Fifth Creek Church | 34.93 |
| Lowell Church | 12.50 |
| Lowell S. S. | 7.53 |
| Currie Church | 8.16 |
| Aux. Bethel | 13.10 |
| Bethel S. S. | 45.40 |
| Aux. Piedmont | 10.00 |
| Wadesboro Ch. | 51.32 |
| Ladies Aid Society McGee | 25.00 |
| Aux. Huntersville | 75.00 |
| Hillsboro Ch. | 43.00 |
| Back Creek Ch. | 138.00 |
| Fellowship Ch. | 14.38 |
| Mt. Pleasant Ch. | 7.02 |
| Oakland Ch. | 17.55 |
| Oak Hill Ch. | 10.00 |
| Vanguard 1st Ch. | 30.20 |
| Varina Ch. | 15.08 |
| Willow Springs Ch. | 11.66 |
| Cleveland S. S. | 27.61 |
| Cleveland S. S. Little Tots Birthday Bank | 14.49 |
| Reidsville Ch. | 167.75 |
| Milton S. S. | 12.41 |
| Gastonia 1st. Ch. By Chas. G. Rose published last month as Miscellaneous Contributions | 250.00 |
| Bethesda Ch. | 71.50 |
| Pinetops Ch. | 7.95 |
| Jackson Springs S. S. | 60.00 |
| Aux., Laurinburg | 5.00 |
| Church of Covenant | 308.63 |
| Aux., Paw Creek | 30.00 |
| Parkton S. S. | 35.00 |
| Palestine Church, Mrs. Black Parker | 5.00 |
| New Hope Church | 20.25 |
| Boys' Club, Charlotte 2nd | 14.00 |
| Wilson 1st. Church | 327.12 |
| Wilson 1st. Church, Irma Carroway | 7.00 |
| S. S. Gastonia 1st. | 201.44 |
| Gastonia 1st. Church | 47.00 |
| Harmony Church | 10 00 |
| Clio Church | 10.00 |
| Raven Rock Church | 22.25 |
| Hickory Church | 300.00 |
| Aux. Cramerton | 15.00 |
| Statesville 1st. Church | 1,055.90 |
| Yadkinville Church | 7.00 |
| Lenoir Church | 900.00 |
| Mt. Olive Church | 133.85 |
| Aux. Asheepole | 106.50 |
| Aux. Rex | 6.00 |
| Wilson S. S. | 2.74 |
| Sardis Church | 18.45 |
| Aux. Graves Mem. | 5.00 |
| Westminster Church, W. T. McCoy, (published last month as Miscellaneous contribution | 200.00 |
| Wilmington 1st. Church, Jos. Shepard | 10.00 |
| Shearer Church | 4.70 |
| Aux., Bethesda | 83.00 |
| Church in Pines | 35.00 |

### MISCELLANEOUS SUPPORT

**Thanksgiving**

| | |
|---|---|
| Mrs. Martha C. Cumbie, Winston Salem | 2.00 |
| Philadelphus Public School | 10.74 |
| Miss. Kathrine Wiggins Weldon | 5.00 |
| L. B. Bristol, Statesville | 10.00 |
| T. C. Cavin, Barium | 10.00 |
| Mrs. A. J. Land, Centreville | 5.00 |
| Mrs. A. R. McNeil, Woodstock | 1.00 |
| Mrs. George Thompson, Morehead City | 10.00 |
| Statesville Oil Co., | 25.00 |
| Mrs. Douglas Barclay, Jr., Wilmington | 5.00 |
| Harris Granite Quarries Co., Salisbury | 85.60 |
| H. Susman Co., Richmond, Va. | 10.00 |
| Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Watt, Charlotte | 25.00 |
| Hope Valley Private School | 8.00 |
| Miss Emma Ray, Durham | 5.00 |
| Kenly Council No. 136, Jr. O. U. A. M. | 4.34 |
| O. R. Pendergrass, Tomahawk | 15.00 |
| Lloyd Summerville, Charlotte | 10.00 |

**Regular**

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|---|---|
| A Fayetteville Friend | 6.00 |
| Dr. Wilbert Jackson, Clinton | 8.33 |
| F. P. Tate, Morganton | 6.00 |
| Mrs. A. P. Tharpe, Rocky Mt. | 10.00 |
| J. A. Marshall, Lenoir | 25.00 |
| A Newton Friend | 30.00 |

——P. O. H.——

## LOTTIE WALKER
### Second Floor

If you are as busy as we are you have little time to spend reading our letter. But we want you to know we are well and working steady on our jobs!

Such a football season as we have had! Have you been keeping up with it? If not you have missed some good "sports" news.

Now our boys have retired from the front and the basketball girls are getting ready for their fray. Mr. McMillan is coaching the first team and you just watch out for results.

Mr. O'Kelly has the job of getting the seventh and eighth graders into shape and he has more material to work with than can be managed at one time, but they will soon show you that they, too, can play ball.

Thanksgiving was a wonderful time for us—and now we are excited **over the coming of Christmas.** It's just around the corner you know, and will be here before we are ready for it. But those tests that come in the meantime! What will we do with them? Pass them we hope.

While we were waiting for the ringing of the Christmas bells we had the surprising sound of wedding bells December 14th. Yes our Miss Brown who manages the Infirmary surprised us by getting married to Mr. Leroy Karriker yesterday afternoon at the Manse. We congratulate Mr. Karriker and wish for them a happy life together. But how are we going to get along without Miss Brown who has been looking after our aches and pains for such a long time? When an old weetheart begins to come around you better watch out—for something is pretty sure to happen.

### MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS

Pine View, Barbecue S. S., three quilts
Mt. Ulla, Mill Bridge Roller Mills, donation of meal.
Huntersville, Bethel Aux., 90 qts. of fruit and vegetables.
Durham, Mrs. C. P. Caldwell, 17 prs shoes.
Hardaway-Hecht Co., Charlotte. 1 box crackerjacks, 1 box wafers.
Topsail, Presbyterian Church, 1 quilt.
Durham 1st. Church, Mrs. Sophie Hurst, two quilts.
Rose Hill, Mrs. W. I. Hall, two quilts.
Wilmington, Immanuel Church & Girls Circle, 47 yds. material, towels 2, tooth brushes 15, tooth paste 14, hose 9, 24 spools thread, 1 coat. one pr. shoes, and hand embroidered spread.
Charlotte, Carolina Brush Co., donation mops.
Richmond, H. Susman Co., two barrels apples.
Mooresville, Mr. D. K. McNeeley, two sacks flour, 1st Church.
Winston-Salem, Cradle Roll, First Pres. Church, donation cereal for Baby Cottage.
Carthage, White Hill Church, three Ladies, 94 pts. fruit and preserves.
Winston-Salem, North Pres. Church. bus. potatoes.
Townesville, Nut Bush Auxiliary, 35 pts. canned goods.
Elizabethton, Ladies' Auxiliary, 100 lbs. sugar, 100 lbs. rice.

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| Laurel Hill Church | 10.00 |
| Rocky River Church | 59.00 |
| Banks C. E. | 5.00 |
| Aux., Bethel | 20.25 |
| Bethel Church | 45.75 |
| Clarkton S. S. | 164.67 |
| Cramerton Church | 55.00 |
| Newell Church | 25.85 |
| Newell Aux., | 10.75 |

### SUPPORT FUND

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|---|---|
| Jonesboro S. S. | 31.06 |
| Wilson S. S. | 16.67 |
| Monroe S. S. | 94.06 |
| Pearsall Mem. S. S. | 5.00 |
| Aux. Westminster | 10.00 |
| Aux. Charlotte 2nd Church | 52.50 |
| Newton S. S. | 100.00 |
| Mocksville S. S. | 7.04 |
| Faison S. S. | 23. 49 |
| Pembroke Church | 14.00 |
| Lexington S. S . | 22.40 |
| New Hope S. S. | 12.30 |
| Aux. Kenansville | 2.00 |
| Dan River Church | 10.70 |
| Aux Pinehurst | 5.00 |
| Shelby Church | 13.64 |
| Waldensian Church | 25.83 |
| Aux. Durham 1st Church | 18.75 |
| Fuller Mem. Church | 3.75 |
| Goshen Church | .75 |
| Grassy Creek Church | 2.25 |
| Hebron Church | .60 |
| Nut Bush Church | 2.55 |
| Oxford Church | 14.98 |
| Raleigh 1st Church | 51.75 |
| Aux. Varina | .90 |
| Oakland Church | 1.53 |
| Glade Valley Church | 10.76 |
| Mocksville Church | 304.69 |
| Aux. Mocksville | 1.91 |
| North Wilkesboro Church | 207.61 |
| Aux., North Wilkesboro | 4.13 |
| Winston Salem 1st Church | 262.50 |
| Dekotah Church | 1.88 |
| Carson Mem. Church | .12 |
| Caldwell Mem. Society | 20.00 |
| Caldwell Mem. Society Circle 9, | 5.00 |
| S. S. Moorsville 1st. | 3.30 |
| North Vanguard S. S. | 18.72 |
| Siloam S. S. | 23.65 |
| Aux. Lakeview | 5.20 |
| Huntersville Church | 36.93 |
| Aux., Myers Park | 25.00 |
| Hepzibah Church | 7.00 |
| Long Creek S. S. | 2.16 |
| Huntersville S. S. | 13.92 |
| Little River | 15.70 |
| Lenoir Church A. Friend | 20.00 |
| Pittsboro S. S. | 3.00 |
| W. Salem 1st. Church | 150.00 |
| Aux. Lexington | 30.00 |
| Big Rockfish S. S. | 3.00 |
| Charlotte 2nd Church | 250.00 |
| Front Street S. S. | 6.52 |
| Aux. Gastonia 1st. Church | 10.00 |
| Wilmington 1st. Church | 75.00 |
| Wilmington 1st. Church Aux. | 70.00 |
| Moment Class ,Raleigh 1st. | 13.50 |
| Aux. Westminster | 12.00 |
| Bayless Mem. Church | 1 61 |
| Bethpage Church | 8.79 |
| Centre Church | 4.12 |
| Concord 1st. Church | 62.25 |
| Concord 2nd. Church | 4.69 |
| Davidson Church | 37.50 |
| Elmwood Church | .90 |
| Gilwood Church | 11.63 |
| Hickory Church | 94.39 |
| Moorsville 2nd. Church | 19.30 |
| Morganton 1st. Church | 15.00 |
| Newton Church | 37.50 |
| Popular Tent Church | 5.86 |
| Prospect Church | 6.01 |
| Salisbury 1st. Church | 72.72 |
| Salisbury 2nd. Church | 6.65 |
| Siloam Church | 3.00 |
| Shiloh Church | 98 |
| Spencer Church | 10.50 |
| Thyatira Chuch | 7.94 |
| Unity Church | 9.37 |
| Dallas S. S. | 18.96 |
| Springwood S.S. | 2.00 |
| Rex Church | 24.00 |
| Raeford Church | 62.10 |
| Forest City S. S. | 5.00 |
| Candor S. S. | 6.00 |
| Lakeview S. S. | 7.00 |
| Alamance Church | 35.09 |
| Bethlehem Church | 2.25 |
| Aux. Buffalo | 18.75 |
| Burlington 1st. Church | 52.50 |
| East Burlington Church | .16 |
| Eno Church | 3.65 |
| Graham Church | 18.60 |
| Aux. Greensboro 1st Church | 22.50 |
| Griers Church | .75 |
| Hawfields Church | 6.48 |
| Bessemer Church | 1.24 |
| Graham S. S. | .25 |
| Little River Church | 1.18 |
| Mebane Church | 27.75 |
| Piedmont Church | 1.23 |
| Red House Church | 1.00 |
| Sanford Church | 38.45 |
| Shiloh Church | 3.00 |
| Westminister Church | 25.08 |
| Calypso Aux. | 6.00 |
| Aux. Clinton | 7.50 |
| Delgado Church | 3.39 |
| Immanuel Church | 10.04 |
| Mt. Olive Aux. | 5.25 |
| Aux. Mt. Zion | 8.43 |
| Pike Church | 3.87 |
| Teachy Church | 1.50 |
| Aux. Fayetteville 1st | 25.00 |
| Matthews S. S. | 13.25 |
| Aux., Rowland | 15.00 |

### CLOTHING MONEY

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|---|---|
| Girl's Circle, Roanoke Rapids | 7.00 |
| Aux. Winter Park | 22.75 |
| Aux. Immanuel | 1.25 |
| Aux. Farmville | 25.00 |
| Ladies Bible Class, Salisbury 1st. | 5.00 |
| Beg. &Pri. Department Washington 1st. | 2.20 |
| Aux. Alamance Mrs. W. A. Sharp | 5.00 |
| Aux. Rockfish | 22.00 |
| Aux. Circle 3, Highland | 3.00 |
| Aux. Midway | 3.00 |
| Aux. Roanoke Rapids | 17.15 |
| Circle 10, Charlotte 1st. | 4.00 |

## THANKSGIVING RETURNS

### THANKSGIVING RETURNS FROM CHURCHES

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|---|---|
| Salisbury First Church W. O. Rybrum | 25.00 |
| Salisbury First Church Chas. J. Johnston | 5.00 |
| Salisbury First Church A. Buford | 10.00 |
| Salisbury First Church L. S. Bradshaw | 25.00 |
| Buffalo (G) Sunday School | 120.00 |
| Cleveland Church | 24.75 |
| Stanford Church | 7.48 |
| Bethel S. S. | 2.86 |
| Fayetteville First Church | 477.42 |
| Gastonia First Church, Chas. H. Ross | 250.00 |
| Dunn S. S. | 50.00 |
| Camden S. S. | 5.00 |
| Caswell Church | 25.00 |
| McKee S. S. | 3.50 |
| Broadway S. S. | 10.51 |
| Stony Creek Church | 4.00 |
| Aux. Tenth Ave. | 3.00 |
| Aux. Mt. Holly | 51.85 |
| Siler Church | 26.10 |
| Mt. Airy Church | 6.25 |
| Elmwood Church | 47.00 |
| Leaksville Church | 22.25 |
| Hill's Church | 3.00 |
| Aux. Burlington | 2.00 |
| Mrs. W. B. Puett's S. S. Class, Belmont | 25.00 |
| Belmont S. S. | 78.68 |
| Aux. Carthage | 60.60 |
| Carthage Church | 45.90 |
| Greensboro First Church | 1,087.36 |
| Grier's Church | 26.00 |
| Rocky Mount First Church | 262.17 |
| Goldsboro First Church | 263.00 |
| Goldsboro First S. S. | 46.84 |
| Charlotte First Church | 1,928.72 |
| Geneva Church | 50.00 |
| Harnett Church | 14.00 |
| Aux. Westminster, Mrs. S. B. Tye | 2.50 |
| Henderlite Memorial Church | 10.00 |
| Burgaw Church | 13.50 |
| Vanguard Class, Dunn S. S. | 97.48 |
| Speedwell Church | 19.48 |
| Smyrna Church | 6.20 |
| Wentworth Church | 5.39 |
| Greenwood Church | 16.03 |
| East Burlington Church | 1.50 |
| Greensboro First Church, C. H. McQueen | 25.00 |
| Gulf Church | 23.60 |
| Thyatira S. S. | 5.32 |
| Thyatira S. S., J. W. Sloan's Class | 51.26 |
| Thyatira S. S. R. B. Kesler's Class | 10.82 |
| Aux. Circle 9, Greensboro First Church | 25.00 |
| Erwin Church | 40.60 |
| Rocky Point Church | 3.00 |
| St. Paul's Church | 187.00 |
| Lake Waccomaw Church | 15.00 |
| Sanford S. S. | 42.87 |
| Bowden Church | 12.50 |
| Faison Church | 37.57 |
| Jennie K. Hill's Bible Class, Rocky Mount | 5.00 |
| New Bern First Church | 80.00 |
| New Bern First Aux. | 26.00 |
| Topsoil Church | 27.20 |
| Madison Church | 5.39 |
| Dunn First Church | 185.00 |
| Dunn First Church, K. L. Howard | 25.00 |
| Bessemer City Church | 12.52 |
| Church of Covenant, Greensboro | 200.00 |
| Jr. C. E. Fairmont | 12.50 |
| S. S. and Church, Oxford | 108.30 |
| St. Andrews S. S. | 20.69 |
| Providence S. S. | 35.50 |
| Aux. 2nd. Church Charlotte | 21.00 |
| White Plains S. S. | 8.00 |
| Immanuel Church | 50.00 |
| Concord (Iredell) Church | 115.45 |
| Pinehurst Church | 11.00 |
| Beulahville S. S. | 16.87 |
| Burlington 1st. Church | 178.79 |
| Greensboro 1st. Chruch | 31.40 |
| Lincolnton Church | 156.82 |
| Men's Bible Class, Greensboro 1st. | 300.00 |
| Concord 1st. Church | 280.25 |
| Naomi Church | 5.00 |
| Palestine Church | 6.50 |
| Aux. Broadway | 15.85 |
| Aux. Fairmont | 31.00 |
| Little River Church | 2.00 |
| Aux. Graham | 87.75 |
| Graham S. S. | 11.98 |
| Graham Church | 82.04 |
| Graves Memorial Church | 100.00 |
| Pee Dee Church | 13.00 |
| Winston First Church | 114.74 |
| Newton Church | 200.00 |
| Fountain Church | 70.00 |
| Greenville Church | 49.65 |
| Hopewell Church | 30.00 |
| Montpelier Church | 125.00 |
| Goldston S. S. | 13.70 |
| Aux. Charlotte Second Church | 20.00 |
| Myers Park Church | 366.60 |
| Myers Park Church, John A. Tate | 100.00 |
| Myers Park Church, J. D. Ross | 10.00 |
| Myers Park Church, Laura Williams | 10.00 |
| Comfort Chapel S. S. | 9.72 |
| Alamance Church | 1.00 |
| Rockingham Church | 63.00 |
| Total | $28,364.88 |

——P. O. H.——

## CLOTHING BOXES

Charlotte, Circle 10, First Presbyterian Church, one box.

Charlotte, L. B. Class, 2nd. Presbyterian Church, one box.

**Note**

If anything has been omitted, please let us hear from you. Sometimes tags were lost and we could not tell who were the donors.

## MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS

Shannon, Antioch Aux. two quilts.

Lumber Bridge, Circle 1, 12 quilts for Baby Cottage.

Lumber Bridge, Circle 2, 7quilts for Baby Cottage.

Charlotte, Seversville, 12 qts. fruit, Auxiliary.

Faison, Miss Winfred Faison, donation scrap books and cards.

West Jefferson, Christian Chautauqua, aprons, bibs, and other things, made in the Bible School.

Laurel Springs, Mr. Geo. W. Bowlin, 1½ bus. potatoes.

Barium Springs, Mrs. John Q. Holton, six books for library.

State Road, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Douglas, one quilt.

Concord, Bayless Memorial Aux., one quilt.

Greensboro, Miss Christine East, 3 books.

Olivia, N. C., Rock Branch Aux., one quilt,; Mothers' Class 2 quilts.

Charlotte, Rte. 4, Mr. J. D. Clark clothing.

Mooresville,, Aux., First Presbyterian Church, 2 qts. berries, additional

Reidsville, Speedwell, Smyrna, Wentworth and Greenwood Churches, 3? qts. fruit, six bags potatoes, Greenwood Auxiliary, one quilt.

Winston-Salem, Polly-Craft Shop, donation of dolls, toys and other gifts.

Hickory, Bumgarners, six books for Library and other gifts for children.

Cherryville, Auxiliary, miscellaneous shower of towels, pillow cases, soap etc.

Greensboro, Church of the Covenant, 43 qts. fruit, jelly and preserves.

Mt. Holly, Circle 3, 45 bibs.

Gibson C. E. Society, gifts for our children.

Wilmington, S. S. 1st. Church, miscellaneous gifts.

Glen Alpine, Faye Giles, miscellaneous gifts.

Union Mills, Mr. Henry Forney, donation of books.

Rocky Mount, N. C. Division of United Daughters of the Confederacy, one book, "Women of the South in War Times."

Bolton, Green Swamp Apiaries, six cans Swamp Angel honey.

Maxton, Mr. W. H. McCormick, bag pecans.

Aberdeen, Mrs. J. W. Graham's S. S. class, box of dolls.

Dundarrack, Pres. Church, 24 jars of fruit and vegetables.

M. G. Newell Co., Greensboro, victrola records.

Graham, Aux., Pres. Church, donation cakes for Christmas.

Laurinburg, Aux., Pres. Church, donation of cakes for Christmas.

Hickory, Aux., Pres. Church, donation cakes for Christmas.

Semora Mrs. C. K. Thompson & Mrs. Geo. Lansdale, clothing.

Hamlet, 25 qts. fruit, potatoes, apples and cereal.

Salisbury, 2nd. Pres. S. S., toys and 35 glasses.

Wilmington, St. Andrews S. S., donation of tooth paste.

Jacksonville, Fla., crate oranges, Mr Walter Hawkins.

Lillington, Sunshine Scatterers, box of toys.

Mocksville Church, two crates oranges and one box apples.

Valdese, Mrs. O. L. Sala, toys and clothing.

Mass, Circle 2, Eureka Church, 1 book.

Cedar Grove, gifts for the children from Sunday School.

Rowland, Aux., miscellaneous gifts.

Greensboro, Alamance Pri. Dept. S.S., gifts for Christmas.

Mass, Mrs. D. A. McLaughlin's S. S. Class, gifts for the children .

Harmony, Mrs. P. R. Lazenby, Tabor Church, one quilt.

Dundarrack, Presbyterian Church, shower of handkerchiefs.

——P. O. H.——

## CLOTHING MONEY

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|---|---|
| Class 53, Charlotte, 1st. | 10.00 |
| Little Sister's Rocky Mt. 1st. | 10.00 |
| Isobel Craig Circle, Reidsville | 6.00 |
| Aux. Kannopolis | 22.50 |
| Aux. Howard Mem., Mrs. C. A. Johnson | 20.00 |
| Aux. Howard Mem. | 80.00 |
| Aux. N. Winston | 22.50 |
| Aux. Leaksville | 18.00 |
| Mary R. McElwee, Henderson | 4.50 |
| Aux. Lincolnton | 5.00 |
| Aux. St. Andrews | 25.00 |
| Aux. Marshville | 15.00 |
| W'S Bible Class, Charlotte Second | 3.50 |
| Total | $364.85 |

## HOME COMING DAY

(Continued from page one)

would be distractions from more pleasant occupations, we did not plan anything this year. We are going to turn the Orphanage over to the Home Coming crowd next year and will do just as they say. All of us will be at the command of the Homecomers on that day.

The Alumni column of the paper which we hope will be full of news about the Alumni during the year, will no doubt contain news of this re-union from time to time, including the officers elected at this Home-coming Day.

## SUPPORT FUND

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|---|---|
| Rockingham S. S. | 10.39 |
| Men's Bible Class, Westminster | 3.00 |
| Aux. Washington | 16.00 |
| Red Springs S. S. | 5.00 |
| Harrisburg Church | 15.00 |
| St. Andrews Church | 36.00 |
| Aux. Howard Mem. | 16.50 |
| Jr. C. E. Carthage | 1.00 |
| Carthage Church | 75.00 |
| Aux. Rocky Mt. 1st. | 20.00 |
| Aux. Glenwood | 4.00 |
| Tabor Church | 8.74 |
| Aux. Caswell | 23.00 |
| Gulf S. S. | 2.62 |
| Waxhaw S. S. | 15.03 |
| Winston-Salem 1st. S. S. | 143.40 |
| Aux. Mathews | 5.00 |
| Aux. Sugaw Creek | 6.25 |
| Badin Church | 35.00 |
| Aux. Salisbury 2nd. | 5.00 |
| Newell S. S. | 28.67 |
| Aux. South River | 8.00 |
| Aux. New Bern | 26.00 |
| Jacksonville S. S. | 4.17 |
| Washington S. S. | 20.00 |
| Aux. Mt. Pisgah | 2.00 |
| Aux. Circle 6, Greensboro 1st. | 25.00 |
| Ashpole S. S. | 6.39 |
| Laurel Hill Church | 15.00 |
| Immanuel Int. S. S. | 5.00 |
| Concord 1st. S. S. | 134.23 |
| Caldwell Mem., Business Woman's Circle | 25.00 |
| Pinehurst Church | 31.00 |
| Cameron Church | 30.00 |
| Brown Marsh Church | 1.00 |
| Jr. Aux. New Hope | 10.00 |
| Aux. Wallace (Regular) | 45.00 |
| Aux. Wallace (Special) | 49.00 |
| Aux. Acme | 7.00 |
| Little Joe's S. S. | 4.68 |
| Mt. Gilead Church | 30.00 |
| Lakeview Church | 8.00 |
| Jr. C. E. Elizabethtown | 1.80 |
| Turner Church | 5.00 |
| Lee Park Church | 3.10 |
| Durham 1st. S. S. | 18.00 |
| Durham 1st Church | 20.00 |
| Kenly S. S. | 9.43 |
| S. C. Calypson | 4.00 |
| Orange Presbytrial | 32.29 |
| Flat Branch Church | 14.00 |
| Pearsall Memorial S. S. | 2.60 |
| Union Church | 19.57 |
| Union S. S. | 8.18 |
| Antioch Church | 30.00 |
| Concord First S. S. | 5.00 |
| Vanguard Class, Dunn First | 83.82 |
| Jennie K. Hill's Bible Class, Rocky Mount First | 10.00 |
| Mass S. S. | 9.13 |
| Primary Department, Westminster | 4.80 |
| Montpelier Church | 25.00 |
| Spies Church | 4.65 |
| Norven S. S. | 7.00 |
| St. Paul's S. S. | 31.55 |
| West End S. S. | 5.00 |
| Mt. Olive S. S. | 30.67 |
| Banks S. S. | 12.50 |
| Back Creek S. S. | 10.72 |
| Cameron S. S. | 24.11 |
| Woman's Bible Class, Salisbury First | 75.00 |
| Clarkton S. S. | 15.76 |
| Montpelier S. S. | 9.78 |
| Aux. Charlotte Second | 70.24 |
| Ladies Bible Class, Dunn First | 7.08 |
| Covenant Church | 3.75 |
| Cramerton Church | 7.50 |
| Duncan's Creek Church | .63 |
| Lincolnton First Church | 70.93 |
| Long Creek Church | 9.00 |
| Mt. Holly Church | 7.56 |
| Union Mills Church | 1.71 |
| Union Church | 2.47 |
| Ellen Fitzgerald Circle, Monroe | 5.00 |
| Steele Creek Church | 10.00 |
| W. W. Class, First Vanguard S. S. | 4.00 |
| Cooks Memorial S. S. | 11.06 |
| Wilmington First Church | 60.00 |
| Aux. Wilmington First Church | 50.00 |
| Total | $4,450.31 |

——P. O. H.——

### MISCELLANEOUS CONTRIBUTIONS (CHRISTMAS)

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|---|---|
| J. G. Moye, Greenville | 10.00 |
| J. H. Lamb, Statesville | 5.00 |
| A Union S. S. of Little Tots, Seven Springs | 3.00 |
| W. N. Reynolds Winston-Salem | 500.00 |
| W. R. Morrow, (?) High Point | 10.00 |
| Jno. B. Alexander, Charlotte | 50.00 |
| F. L. Fuller, New York City | 50.00 |
| A. A. Cashion, N. Wilkesboro | 10.00 |
| Mr. & Mrs. J. L. Hatch, Salisbury | 12.50 |
| I. J. Williams, Rex | 50.00 |
| W. E. Merritt, Mt. Airy | 20.00 |
| J. S. Clodfelter, Stony Point | 25.00 |
| Total | $745.50 |

### MISCELLANEOUS CONTRIBUTIONS (REGULAR)

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|---|---|
| A. H. Rohleder, (?), Charlotte | 10.00 |
| R. T. Stone, Stonesville, | 10.00 |
| F. L. Fuller, New York City | 150.00 |
| A Raleigh Friend | 5.00 |
| Total | $270.48 |

——P. O. H.——

### CHRISTMAS FUND

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|---|---|
| Class 10, Gastonia First | 16.00 |
| Total | $335.35 |

We had hoped to give in this issue the totals of the Thanksgiving offerings from the various churches, but we find that so many churches have not sent in yet, and a good many are still sending in delayed contributions that we thought it best to deferr until more nearly all of the contributions are in.

Several of the larger churches have not yet sent in. Raleigh First and Salisbury First being two among the leaders in their respective Presbyteries.

However, we do want to publish a list of the leaders so far of the various Presbyteries. We find that in Albermarle Presbytery, Wilson leads with a total of $336.86, with Goldsboro second with $309.84. In Concord Presbytery, Concord First leads with $1,?00.00. Statesville First, second with $1.055.90. In Fayetteville Presbytery, Fayetteville First, leads with $477.42, Laurinburg Second, $347.86 Granville Presbytery Durham First leads with $960.50, with Henderson second $325.00 . Kings Mountain Presbytery, Gastonia First, with $1751.54 Shelby, second with $175.58 . Mecklenburg Presbytery, Charlotte Second Church leads with $2,967.05, the Charlotte First Church is second with $2,122.22 . In Orange Presbytery Greensboro First leads with $2,493.76 and High Point is second with $989.00 Wilmington Presbytery, the leader is Wilmington First with $765.79, the Church of the Covenant second with $436.23 . Winston—Salem Presbytery Winston—Salem First leads with $2,614.74, Reynolda, second with $810.95.

There was some remarkable gain made in individual churches. Lenoir Church sending $900.00 . Little Joe's Church at Barium Springs, $345.02 In this latter church there is less than thirty-five wage earners in the entire congregation. Statesville First, whose total has already been noted, made a tremendous increase over former years. Ernest Myatt Chapel sent $267-61 . This is a small church, but anyone just noting their contributions not only at Thanksgiving, but at other times during the year, would put them right up with the large churches. High Point and Gastonia have always been liberal churches. This year they went even higher in this respect. The church that stands third in Mecklenburg Presbytery is Westminster, and Westminster took a big special collection for Barium Springs during the summer. Their total for Thanksgiving was $553.36 . Myers Park, a new organization in Charlotte, now in the throes of building a new church, contributed $518.14 .

Speaking of special collections. The church that leads in Thanksgiving offerings over the entire Synod is the same church that took a special collection for us last summer of over $2,000.00 . We wonder if that is the cause,effect, or co-incidence? Winston Salem First, the second highest in the list, this year adopted the plan of sending each month the amount due on the church's quota for that month. This has beeen a tremendous help and this habit may have something to do with their increased Thanksgiving offerings last year, the total of the Thanksgiving offering was $38,000.00. We needed $60,000.00 . We hope to be able to report at least $60.000.00 when the final returns are in. The total so far is $40,700.00 .

——P. O. H.——

### SOME THINGS IN OUR CHRISTMAS MAIL

We get at Christmas times hundreds of Christmas cards. Some of them are personal; some of them come to the Orphanage, and it is not always possible to answer all of them. Our friends at Mt. Airy, the J. D. Sargent Granite Company, usually send out a card in the form of a letter and the sentiments therein expressed are so fine and expressed so well that we take the liberty this year ofpublishing this letter.

If the Heads of a Company have sentiments like those expressed in this letter, it's no wonder that their business continues to increase.

Christmas, 1927.

Mr. Joseph B. Johnston,
Barium Springs, N. C.

Dear Mr. Johnston:-

Another year has closed again - the usual mix of joy and pain, of sunshine bright - of clouds and rain, as fortune sends; but through it all 'tis borne to us above the striving and the fuss, our efforts are not worth a cuss, without our friends.

For simmered down and shorn of floss, the gain is so upset by loss, the net result seems largely dross - not worth the trouble, until we think of folks like you whose constant friendship all year through, convinces us the value true, is more than double.

So this is why we ask for you all that is worthy good and true, this Yuletide and the whole year through in Twenty Eight. May years but add a mellow fire from those who never tire and bring you your hearts desire, from Kindly Fate.

Very sincerely,
J. D. SARGENT GRANITE CO.,
C. Binder.

The Christmas number f the Monthly from Thornwell Orphanage is such a beautiful aticle that we wish we could re-produce the cover here. We haven't yet had time to read this number, but the cover is enough to delight the eye and everyone who is familiar with printing offices knows that it takes lots of skill and patience to produce this two-color cover with the equipment that they have at Thornwell. We think the members of the Thornwell Printing Office should be publicly commended for its efforts.

## ALUMNI

### BARIUM ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

(By Walter Beattie, Vice President)

At a meeting of the Alumni on Home-Coming Day, that body decided to organize itself as the Barium Springs Alumni Association. The first step was to elect officers for the coming year. The following officers were elected:

President—Guy Jackson, '24, Greensboro, N. C.
Vice-President—Walter Beattie, '27, Davidson, N. C.
Sec.-Treasurer—Thelma Fraley, '20, Troutman, N. C.

To meet the expenses and in order to carry on the work of the organization, it was decided that each member should pay an entrance fee of $1.00 and $1.00 each year. This yearly fee is due on each Home-Coming Day. One is not considered as a member of the Association until the entrance fee is paid. That money which is not used for expenses will be saved and when a sufficient amount has accumulated, it will be used for some worthy cause.

There was a good deal of difference of opinion as to the date of the next Home-Coming. Many were in favor of having it on Christmas Day or on the Saturday following Christmas. As many thought they would like to be home on Christmas Day, that date was given up. On Saturday comes one of Barium's hardest days because of the cleaning up, etc., which must be done on that day, and that was given up as a possible date. After much debating, it was suggested that next New Year's Day be the time of the next Home-Coming. Everyone finally agreed on this date. Therefore, all Barium Springs Alumni should begin making plans to be here January 1st, 1929. Those who come will not regret it, but will all say that they had a grand and glorious time.

It is the earnest desire of the Association that everyone who has gone to school at Barium become a member of the organization. Anyone who wishes to join may do so by sending his or her address with ($1.00) to Miss Thelma Fraley, Troutman, N. C. On receipt of this, the sender's name will be entered on the roll.

——P. O. H.——

### Jones-Fraley

Announcements of the marriage of Mr. Edward Fraley, to Miss Sarah Vivian Jones, of Gaffney, S. C., will be of interest to friends here. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. A. Hafner, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, at Gaffney, Monday afternoon, January 2nd, at 4 o'clock. Mr. Fraley, a former Barium boy, is manager in charge of the Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company's chain store at Gaffney, where he has been located for some time. After a brief honeymoon to points in North Carolina, and a short visit to Barium on their return, Mr. and Mrs. Fraley will be at home after January 7th. Best wishes to you—the sentiments of your friends here at Barium.

——P. O. H.——

### MISCELLANEOUS CONTRIBUTIONS (THANKSGIVINNG)

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|---|---|
| Leo Watson, Broadway | 25.00 |
| Dr. and Mrs. Henry M. Woods, New Jersey | 1.00 |
| Chain Letters | 2.35 |
| John W. Sheppard, Charlotte, Chain Letter | 5.00 |
| H. N. Wharton, Greensboro | 2.50 |
| Aux. Montreat, Mrs. Kate Hudson | 5.00 |
| Chain Letters | .60 |
| Chain Letters | .50 |
| Chain Letters | 2.30 |
| D. B. Stockton, W.-Salem, Chain Letter | 5.00 |
| Chain Leters | .20 |
| C. E. Procter, Charlotte, Chain Letter | 1.00 |
| R. J. Burke, Charlotte, Chain Letters | 2.00 |
| Chain Letters | 1.20 |
| Chain Letters | 1.40 |
| Total | $299.38 |